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## **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** March 9, 2018

**TO:** The Honorable Members of the Delaware General Assembly

FROM: Dafne A. Carnright, Chairperson

**GACEC** 

**RE:** House Bill No. 294 (Change in Jurisdiction for Programs Addressing Driving

**Under the Influence**)

The Governor's Advisory Council for Exceptional Citizens (GACEC) has reviewed House Bill No. 294. This bill seeks to amend Title 21 to transfer the responsibility for establishing, administering and setting fees for courses of instruction and programs for rehabilitation for individuals who have had their licenses revoked for driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol from the Department of Homeland Security to the Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health (DSAMH). Council **endorses** the proposed legislation because DSAMH has the expertise to address the rehabilitation needs of individuals with substance abuse issues and is in a better position to provide services that these offenders may need.

Thank you for your time and consideration of our endorsement of the proposed legislation. Please feel free to contact me or Wendy Strauss at the GACEC office should you have any questions.